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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR USIB PRINCIPALS

SUBJECT : Proposed US Statement Regarding MC 161/68, and
the Sanitized Version of NIE 11-14-67 for Release

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REFERENCES : a. Memorandum for Chairman, USIB, from Acting
Director, DIA, subject: "MC 161/68", trans-
mitted to USIB Principals by LDX on 15 March
1968 (Attachment A hereto)
b. Memorandum for Chairman, JCS, from
Chairman, USIB, subject: "Second US Position
Paper for MC 161/68", 9 February 1968
(concurring in by USIB as attachment to BNE
memorandum for USIB dated 5 February 1968)
c. USIB-M-495, 11 January 1968, Item 4
d. USIB-M-501, 21 March 1968, Item 5.a.

1. In response to the attached memorandum from Admiral Lowrance (reference a.), the United States Intelligence Board (USIB) as of 16 March 1968 accepted the proposed US statement which the Deputy Secretary of Defense requested be included in appropriate form in the US Position at the MC 161/68 Conference beginning 18 March 1968.

2. The Chairman of USIB, by memorandum on 16 March, requested that the Acting Director, Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), communicate this USIB action to the Joint Chiefs of Staff for their consideration as a supplement to the memorandum of 9 February (reference b.), in accordance with the regular procedure for handling US Position Papers for MC 161/68.

3. The Chairman of USIB also authorized the transmittal of the sanitized version of NIE 11-14-67, with the US statement included as requested by Secretary Nitze, [REDACTED]

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[redacted] as agreed upon by USIB at its 11 January meeting (reference c.). As requested by Admiral Lowrance, however, release of this sanitized version was deferred pending JCS consideration of the proposed statement in accordance with paragraph 2. above.

4. The memorandum from the Acting Director, DIA, in Attachment B hereto reports the results of the JCS consideration of this matter and its current status, confirming the oral report by Admiral Lowrance in executive session at the 21 March USIB meeting (reference d.).

5. In light of this oral report, the Chairman of USIB proposed and the other Board Members agreed that the USIB would accept whichever version of the proposed US statement was decided upon by the Secretary of Defense.

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Executive Secretary

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